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ORDER REMANDING TO EXAMINER

On May 28, 2002, an "After Final Request for Reconsideration" (Paper No. 26) was filed in response to the Final Rejection mailed March 19, 2002 (Paper No. 21) and has been matched with this application at the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences. However, there is no indication in the record of whether or not the examiner has considered this paper.

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Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that the application is remanded to the Examiner for proper response to the After Final Request for Reconsideration filed May 28, 2002 (Paper No. 26) and for such further action as may be appropriate.

It is important that the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences be informed promptly of any action affecting the status of the appeal (i.e., abandonment, issue, reopening prosecution).

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